her to change the statement earlier made by her as the accused is a powerful person involved in several crimes; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Home Minister's study tour of Jammu and Kashmir

842. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE: SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Minister of Home Affairs recently made a two week stduy tour of the State of Jammu and Kashmir to study activities of militants and the situation arising out from continued infiltration by Pak-trained militants and foreign mercinaries; and

(b) if so, that were his precise observations and Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Road Accidents in Delhi

843. PROF. VIJAY KUMAR MALHOTRA: SHRI BHAGABAN MAJH1:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of road accidents in Delhi during the period from 1994 till 1st June, 1997;

(b) the number of persons died and injured, respectively, in these accidents;

(c) the number of accidents in which trucks and buses were involved, separately; and

(d) what steps are being taken by Government to prevent road accidents?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR): (a) to (c) The requisite information is given below:

Year	No. of road accident	No. of persons died	No. of persons injured	Accident involving trucks	Accident involving buses
1994	9050	1884	3927	1549	2128
1995	10138	2070	9805	1839	2526
1996	11255	2091	10558	2093	2335
1997 (upto 1.6.97)	4517	839	4156	872	811

(d) The steps being taken by the Government to prevent road accidents in Delhi include strict enforcement of traffic rules, upgradation of traffic signal system, construction of road dividers, speed breakers and such other features and educating the public about the road safety measures. It has also been decided to introduce Mass Rapid Transit System (M.R.T.S.) as a long term strategy to cope up with the rapidly increasing volume of traffic in Delhi.